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STATE MINING & GEOLOGY BOARD

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Item 3 – Continued Discussion of Board’s Role and Methods for Encouraging Lead Agencies to Meet Their Responsibilities Under SMARA, The Seismic Hazard Mapping Act, and the Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Act

Topics Developed During Previous Discussions:

1. Need for tracking-system / tracking-data to be developed.
 - a. DMG to provide information on:
 - [1] Incorporation of Seismic Hazard Maps into General Plans
 - [2] Incorporation of A-P Maps into General Plans
 - [3] Incorporation of MRMP’s into General Plans
 - b. DMG to develop monitoring system to track effectiveness of maps and responsiveness of responsible cities and counties.
 - c. Mining Associations to inform the SMGB where city and county General Plans are not in accordance with SMARA, or where local surface mining ordinances are in need of updating. SMGB office already tracks lead agency mining ordinances for updating based on date of certification and number of changes to SMARA since certification.
2. Methods of SMGB notification to cities and counties:
 - a. SMGB letters to cities and counties notifying them of necessity to incorporate documents into General Plans and consequences of failure to incorporate documents (consequences to be defined).
 - b. SMGB notifies OPR – files complaint -- when General Plans are not updated to include documents.
 - c. DMG and/or SMGB to develop aggressive outreach programs focused at general population; current DMG/OMR/SMGB outreach programs center on lead agencies, thereby leaving the local education process up to the lead agencies. Includes public appearances by SMGB members.
3. SMGB should develop guidelines for incorporating information into General Plans (a la SMARA Model Ordinance; Financial Assurance Guidelines, etc.).
4. SMGB Regulations:
 - a. SMARA – regulations for incorporating designated mineral lands into General Plans; for defining the criteria to be considered by a city or county when analyzing the compatibility of developments affecting designated lands.

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- b. SMARA – regulations offering greater definition of the criteria to be considered by the SMGB in its reviews of proposed MRMP's.
- 5. Role of the Real Estate Industry in the process.
 - a. Outreach programs to Real Estate Industry to educate its agents on SMARA and compatibility of developments with surface mining activities; how to read and understand Seismic Hazard Zone Maps; how to read and understand Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone Maps.
 - b. Conduct Workshops for Real Estate Industry personnel.